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SUBJECT: IRANIAN ENTERTAINERS TRAVELING TO U.S.

1. EMBASSY IN MARCH 18 ISSUED OFFICIAL A-2 VISAS TO TEN IRANIAN ENTERTAINERS BEARING SERVICE PPTS AND TRAVELING TO U.S. TO PLAY/SING AT SPECIAL IRANIAN NEW YEAR (NOW RUZ) CELEBRATIONS. ENTERTAINERS LEAVING TEHRAN ASAP.

2. EMB EXPECTS TO ISSUE OFFICIAL A-2'S APPROX 8 MORE ENTERTAINERS TODAY.

3. ENTERTAINERS ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO PLAY FOR IRANIAN STUDENTS AND OTHERS AT VARIOUS NOW RUZ CELEBRATIONS, BUT EMB INFORMED THEM B-1 VISAS COULD NOT BE ISSUED UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, THAT THEY MUST OBTAIN "H" PETITIONS.

4. FONMIN PRESSED MATTER NOTING URGENCY (NOW RUZ IS MARCH 21), EMB REACHED AGREEMENT WITH SPONSOR NATIONOW IRANIAN RADIO AND TV AND FONMIN THAT THE TWO GROUPS OF ENTERTAINERS (TOTALLING APPROX 18) WOULD NOT PLAY AT PUBLIC GATHERINGS, BUT ONLY AT IRANIAN EMBASSY AND CONSULATES AND WOULD STAY MAXIMUM TWO WEEKS. FONMIN ALSO PROMISED ORALLY TO SUPPLY EMB WITH AMENDED FONMIN NOTE SPECIFYING THESE RESTRICTIONS.

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5. RESTRICTIONS NOTED ABOVE INCORPORATED INTO CONREC

WRITTEN BELOW EACH VISA.

6. EMB NOTES POSSIBLE CONCERN ON PART U.S. UNIONS,
SUGGESTS DEPT MAY WISH "KEEP EYE" ON SITUATION AND
EXPLAIN RESTRICTIONS TO IRANIAN EMBASSY.
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